



In re Application of
ROBERT A.H. BRUNET, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/874,376

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For: FLUID MIXING DEVICE

Docket No.: 213202.00302

Examiner: David L. Sorkin

Group Art Unit: 1723

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an RCE Transmittal and RCE Response and Petition for Extension of Time in the above-identified application.

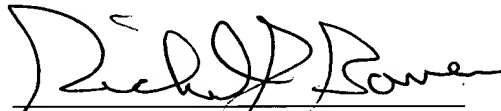
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TOTAL CLAIMS	47	MINUS	47	= 0	x \$ 9 \$18	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	5	MINUS	5	= 0	x \$43 \$86	\$ 0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$145°/\$290						
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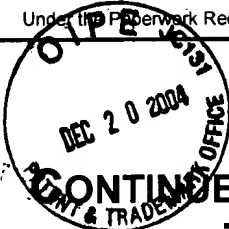
☐ Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge the amount of \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 50-1710 to cover the additional claims fee. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 50-1710 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1710. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- ☒ Charge the amount of \$ 450.00 to cover the Extension fee for response within two (2) months.
- ☐ Charge the amount of \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 50-1710 to cover the Terminal Disclaimer fee.
- ☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3507. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.



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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the Amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously fax filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other: RCE Response and Petition For Extension Of Time

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1710
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other:
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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